

The State of New Hampshire

Department of Environmental Services



Michael P. Nolin Commissioner

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David Tanner Hillside Country Store 321 Mammoth Road Pelham, NH 03076

Subject: Pelham - Public Water System: Hillside Country Store (EPA# 1858110)

Dear Mr. Tanner:

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that the Hillside Country Store water system is classified as a public water system (PWS), as defined by RSA 485:1-a. A PWS is defined as any water system supplying 15 or more services, or 25 or more people, for 60 or more days per year. As such, the water system is required to submit samples to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory for coliform bacteria analysis in compliance with NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 325.

DES records show that the subject water system failed to submit bacteria samples and as a result Notices of Violation (NOVs) were issued for the following months:

July 2005 and July 2006

DES acknowledges that a "make-up" sample for the missed July 2006 sample was received in August. In view of the Monitoring/Reporting violations, DES believes the deficiencies can be corrected by taking the following action:

• **During the month of October 2006**, submit the water system's routine sample for bacteria analysis to the state laboratory, or a state-certified laboratory, in accordance with Admin. Rule Env-Ws 325.

In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may initiate formal action, including issuing an order requiring the deficiencies to be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding, and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

Please continue to submit water samples according to the water system's enclosed Master Sampling Schedule.

DES Web site: www.des.nh.gov

Pursuant to Env-Ws 351, a public water system is required to issue public notification whenever it has failed to monitor for bacteriological water quality. On August 25, 2006, DES issued the Hillside Country Store water system a NOV for the July 2006 violation. The NOV outlined the public notice requirements, including the submission to DES of proof of public notice. As of the date of this letter, DES has not received your proof of public notice.

Please contact Allyson Gourley by phone at (603) 271-0672 or by e-mail at agourley@des.state.nh.us if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Pillsbury, P.G., Administrator Water Supply Engineering Bureau

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encl.: Master Sampling Schedule

Laboratory Analysis Form Public Notice Template

cc w/o encl.:

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Town of Pelham Health Officer

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